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QUEENS UP FOR CARROLL. He Was Afraid That He Couldn't Stand a Full Hand in the Game.

From the Chicago Times-Herald. Patrick Carroll, a sewer mason, who lives at 466 west 14th street, aided by his estimable wife, has done more than his share toward bringing Chicago up to first place in point of population when the next federal census shall be taken.

While Mr. Carroll was at work on a sewer at Loomis and 14th streets yesterday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock a messenger

came from his house and said:
"Pat, it's a boy."
Mr. Carroll did not think it necessary to
leave his work and go home to see the little stranger. Soon afterward another mes-

stranger. Soon afterward another mes-senger arrived, and said: "It's twins, Pat; two boys." "That's a good pair to draw to," Mr. Carroll remarked with a smile. But his face assumed a more serious aspect when a hird messenger came and announced that the two boys had a little sister. Then, to complete the astonishment of the worthy

complete the astonishment of the worthy father, word speedily came that there were two boys and two girls.
"What's that?" gasped Mr. Carroll.
"Queens up! I must hurry home or I'll have a full house."

Patrick Carroll was married thirteen are incompleted was married to be a full house. years ago in county Mayo, Ireland, and, with this last addition, he can boast of ten children. Mrs. Carroll is thirty-three years

Royal Tobacco Chewer. Madagascar Letter in Cincinnati Tribune

The queen is a Christian, but she chews tobacco and expectorates in a silver vase. She is seldom without a large chunk of tobacco in her mouth, and as she sets the style in Madagascar all of the court ladies, not to be outdone in the matter of fashion, also have large chunks of tobacco in their also have large chunks of tobacco in their mouths. At a royal function, where all the ladies are chewing tobacco industriously, an American lady might be shocked, but the Madagascar ladies regard it as a rare accomplishment, and the society buds there are taught to chew with the same care that American parents teach their gris to dance or play upon the plano. It is one of the polite arts, and a lady who does not chew is as badly handicapped socially as a woman here who eats with her kuife.

#### An Old-Age Pointer.

From the Atchison Globe. Old people never pretend to stay in bed all night. They get up fully a half dozen times and go wandering around with lights in their hands, looking for the origin of noises, to see what time it is and on a half lozen other pretexts. If you feel like wanlering around the house at night with your ight clothes flapping around your kne an indication you are not as young as





THE DEPARTMENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM.

#### DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

Work of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing Team.

WON EVERY GAME IT PLAYED IN

Justified All the Predictions of Its Friends.

NOTES OF THE PLAYERS

The championship of the season in the Departmental Base Ball League has been settled. It was won by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing team, it having comout victorious in every game which it played in the series. The season was divided into two series, and the Bureau team came out at the head of each division, thus winning the championship without having to play off a set of games to decide the

The team as a whole put up an excellent article of ball playing in every game in which it took part, and the members of the club deserve the highest praise for the amount of skill which they showed in sticking together and getting such a fine in sticking together and getting such a fine system of team play. Under the efficient manager of the team, Mr. Chas. Miller, it has kept the pace it set at the beginning of the season, and justified all the predictions of its friends that it would land at the top when the schedule was completed.

There are thirteen members of the club who have taken part in the games in the departmental series. These are Orspada and Bernard, pitchers; Beach, catcher; Dove and Helmerichs, first base; Madigan, second base; McCauley, short stop; Leach,

Dove and Helmerichs, first base; Madigan, second base; McCauley, short stop; Leach, third base; Flaherty, Doyle, Farrell, Cropley and Shafer, fielders. Of these, Orspada pitched only in the games at the beginning of the season, and Helmerichs and Shafer were dropped from the ranks toward the close, leaving the other ten to make up the close, leaving the other ten to make up the championship team. Cropley and Doyle were additions to the team, and although they did the test they could they were not quite up to the standard set by the other strong batters and fielders on the nine.

Work of the Team.

Bernard really ought to have the most redit for helping the Bureau to the highest round of the ladder. His pitching has time and time again helped the nine out of a hole, and his work was always calculated to steady and cheer the men behind him.
Bernard was ably seconded by Beach. Although he might not have been the star catcher of the league, he certainly did some excellent work, and the errors which were charged up to him have long ago been forgiven.

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been forgiven.

Dove played a very steady game at first base. He supplanted Helmerichs, and the change proved a valuable help to the team. He has accepted more chances without error probably than any other first baseman in the league.

At second base the familiar figure of Madigan was always seen. Everything that came his way was sure to be taken care of in the best manner, and his batting was a help always.

or in the best manner, and his batting was a help always.

Leach on third was one of the stars of the team. He accepted everything and would have had a higher average had he not tried for everything that came within reach, the result being that he is charged with a reach the result being that he is charged.

reach, the result being that he is charged with errors which he really ought not to have. Leach's batting and base running were always features of the game.

The captain of the team was McCauley, the little short stop. When McCauley started in at the beginning of the season he did not seem to be in first-rate condition, and he could very nearly always be counted upon to make at least two errors. Toward the last, however, he settled down and put up an excellent game at this difficult position. His batting and base running were also features of the game. Some of the stops that Leach and McCauley have made at National Park would do the greatest amount of credit to a professional player. player.

Player.

Team Work.

Besides having a good infield individually, the men knew how to play together.

Leach, Madigan and McCauley always acted together, and many a men has sat on the bench after making a base hit simply because he could not watch all three

men at once.
In the outfield Flaherty and Farrell put up
the steadlest game. Shafer started in at
the beginning of the season to play right the steadlest game. Shafer started in at the beginning of the season to play right field, but for some unaccountable reason he quit the diamond and was not seen any more. Doyle was tried there, and there is no doubt that with a few years more of experience he will make a rattling good player. Cropley was tried at center field, but he did not seem to know how to handle himself in the best way. He proved to be a good utility man, however, and went behind the bai, or played an infield position jist as well as he could anywhere else. Flaherty is probably the best fielder in the league, after "Doc" Kleinschmidt. He rarely missed a fly ball, and some of his catches were very difficult in left garden. He earned the soubriquet of "Home Run Mike" by his long hits, and often drove in more than one run when the bases were full. Farrell, the fat little center fielder, got over ground surprisingly well. He could generally be relied upon both in the field and at the bat, and in more than one game his timely hits drove in the deciding runs.

No Better Amateur Team Here.

No Better Amateur Team Here. Taking the team as a whole, there is probably no better amateur team in the city at the present time. They have received excellent support from their friends and admirers, and perhaps this is one of the reasons for their success. No other team in the Departmental League has been backed up so ell as has this one. At every game a large rowd of rooters, with everything imaginable to cheer and excite their champions to do to cheer and excite their champions to do great and brave things, was always on hand, and the noise that they made when the Bureau defeated the Washington Light Infantry in the deciding game was enough to wake the inhabitants of Glenwood.

ALTAIR CLUB RACES.

They Will Be Held Next Wednesday on the Conduit Road.

The annual fall club races of the Altair Cyclists will be held next Wednesday afternoon over the Conduit road course, the first race starting at 3 o'clock sharp. The list of events embraces three races, to which only club members will be admitted, and in the club the outcome of the same is awaited with considerable interest. The first race will be a mile open, the second a quarter-of-a-mile dash, while the third race be a five-mile road contest, with handi-

caps. The races are in charge of a con mittee consisting of Capt. F. B. Weaver, President John Swindell and Secretary Robert Cox. The prizes for the winners were donated by club members. While the races will be an exclusively club affair, they

races will be an exclusively club affair, they will be witnessed by a good many people. The entries and the prizes are as follows: First race, mile open; prize, gold medal, representing club championship. Entries—Walter E. Birch, Louis Weaver, Edward Hanger, Joseph Braitmayer, Samuel Darby, Charles Weaver, Albert Cox, Albert Fisher, George Weaver, William T. Ballard, Robert Layton, Theodore Duvall, Thomas Hume and Irwin Scharf.

Second race, quarter-mile dash; first prize,

and Irwin Scharf.
Second race, quarter-mile dash; first prize, twentieth century lamp; second prize, pair golf stockings. Entries—Albert Cox, Theodore Duvall, Edward Hanger, Thos. Hume, W. E. Birch, Irwin Scharf, Louis Weaver, Robert Layton, Albert Fisher, Chas. Weaver, William Ballard, Joseph Braitmayer, Samuel Darby, George Weaver.
Third race, five-mile handicap; first prize, pair patent leather shoes; second prize, sweater; third prize, cyclometer. Entries—Irwin Scharf, Thomas Hume, Theodore Duvall, Robert Layton, George Weaver, Will-

vall, Robert Layton, George Weaver, William Ballard, Albert Fisher, Albert Cox, Charles Weaver, Samuel Darby, Joseph Braitmayer, Ed. Hanger, Walter E. Birch and Louis Weaver.

The handicapping will be done by the executive committee remed above, and this ecutive committee named above, and this committee will supervise the races and act as judges. The handicaps will not be an-nounced until an hour or so before the

After the races the men will assemble at the residence of Mr. R. W. Darby, one of the prominent members of the club, where the prizes will be awarded with due cerethe prizes will be awarded with due ceremony, after which a social evening will be spent. Each member of the club is expected to attend with a young lady. A committee, consisting of Charles Jones, Louis Weaver and Walter Birch, has been appointed to arrange a suitable entertainment for the passing of the evening, while Messrs. R. W. Darby, Walter Weaver and Harry Staub constitute a committee on refreshments.

#### COMING FROM PHILADELPHIA.

The Keystone Wheelmen a Well-Known Organization There.

The Keystone Wheelmen, a well-know organization of Philadelphia, will have a 'run" to this city tomorrow, which will be attended, so it is expected, by about sixty or more riders of both sexes. The officers of the visiting club accompanying the party will be Theodore D. Haines, jr., president, and Charles Walter, jr., captain. The wheelmen will leave the Pennsylvania depot at Philadelphia at 6:45 o'clock tomorrow morning and arrive in this city about 10 o'clock, repairing to a hotel, where they will take dinner. The party will see the sights, and enjoy riding over the smooth thoroughfares of the District, leaving on the 6:40 train, and arriving home at 9:54 in

the 6:40 train, and arriving home at 9:54 in the evening.

While in the city the party will be shown around by Captain J. Bartlett Hill of the Capital Bi, Chub, with several other club members. The plan is to make one tour of the city in the morning for the sake of looking at the public buildings, while in the afternoon runs will be made to the Soldiers' Home grounds, the Catholic University and also to Cabin John bridge.

SHAMROCKS IN FOOT BALL.

They Hope to Duplicate Their Success on the Diamond.

The "Shamrocks," the crack base ball eam which made a record for themselves the past season by winning thirty-three games out of thirty-eight, have organized a foot ball team that promises to repeat the record of their base ball team.

The average weight is 140 pounds, and at this weight they are ready to meet most any team in the District.

The line up of the club will be: Saur, center; F. Cowsell, right guard; V. Cowsell, left guard; Singleton, right tackle; Kennedy, left tackle: Cleary, right and: D. Dougherty, left end; Brady, quarter back; McPike left half back: J. Dougherty, right half back; Norcom, full back; substitutes, Haskell, Winters, Costello and Harlow. The grounds of Capitol Park, when put in condition, will be used for all of their sames. Communications relating to foot ball should be sent to Thomas A. Harlow, 79 H street

The Queer Wheelmen Smoker. The Queer Wheelmen, a newly organized blevele club, will give its first smoker Tuesday evening at 9 o'clock at 510 11th street northwest. As it will be the first public effort, the members of the club are making strenuous efforts to make it a huge success. and from present indications their efforts will be rewarded. The committee in charge of the amusement consists of Messrs. Henshaw, Gardner and White, Paul F Grave will be one of the entertainers, while the names of the others cannot be ascertained as yet because the committee has not fully decided. It has an abundance of talent at

ceived too late for action. An additional appropriation of \$100 was made for Jockey Michael Bergen. A resolution was adopted to the effect that on and after this date the full forfeit list will be enforced on all courses under the control of the Jockey Club. Heretofore forfeits which accrued prior to Jan uary 1, 1894, have pot been enforced on licensed courses. \*

#### Ca. ried Away With Science.

From Pearson's Weekly.

A well-known Bolfemian visited his friend, Prof. Price, at the fatter's laboratory. The professor was examining a dark brown substance spread on paper.

"I say, would you kindly let me place a little bit of this on your tongue? My taste has become so vitiated by tasting all sorts of things. "Certainly." responded the ever-accom-

modating Harris, thrusting out his tongue. The professor took up a little of the substance under analysis and placed it on Harris' tongue. The latter worked it round for fully a minute, tasting it much as he would fine confection.
'Note any effect?" inquired the professor. "It doesn't paralyze or prick your

"Not that I can detect."
"I thought not. There are no alkaloids in t, then. How does it taste?"
"Bitter as the dickens." "Um-m; all right."

"What is it?" inquired Harris.

"I don't know. That's what I'm trying to find out. Some one has been poisoning horses with it."

BASE BALL HISTORY

Progress of the National Game in Washington.

SOME REMARKABLE LOCAL TEAMS

When Players Were Not Paid and Local Pride Prevailed.

Base ball in Washington dates its begin-

EXPERIENCE OF LATER DAYS

ning from the sixties. The game has been traced back elsewhere as far as 1835, when it was evolved from the old game of town oall or rounders, but the first code of playing rules was not formulated and adopted until 1845. The first base ball convention was called in May, 1857, and a year later the National Association of Base Ball Players was organized. This body was at first formed of clubs in and near New York, but gradually its field was extended until it omprised clubs as far west as Omaha. Washington became a zealous member, and n 1866 had ten clubs represented. They were as follows: Capital, sending as delegates to the convention H. C. Porter and W. Cunningham; Continental, W. H. Roberts and J. W. Downing; Empire, C. E. Coon and F. V. Anderson; Gymnastic, R. Coon and F. V. Anderson; Gymnastic, R. E. Ellerbeck and R. S. Vedder; Interior, T. Calwer and W. A. Ogden; Jefferson, S. H. Yeatman and G. W. C. Finney; National, A. P. Gorman and Henry Chadwick; Olympic, H. W. Denison and J. I. Burns; Potonac, W. C. McIntyre; Union, M. E. Urell and R. M. Drinkard.

and R. M. Drinkard.

In the year 1868, at the tenth annual meeting of the association, held in New York, Washington was signally honored by the election of Mr. A. P. Gorman, now senior United States Senator from Maryland, as the president of the association. Mr. Gorman was one of the association.
Mr. Gorman was one of the delegates representing the National club of this city,
Mr. Henry Chadwick, the veteran base ball
writer, being the other. Mr. Gorman received 115 out of 155 votes cast. Mr. Browning of the Continental club of this city was ning of the Continental club of this city was one of those nominated for vice president, but it was thought that would be too much for Washington, and it went to Altoona. Pa. Mr. Charles E. Coon of the Empire club of this city was, however, made corresponding secretary. Washington secured a place on the rules committee in the person of Mr. Chadwick, who was also appointed on the printing committee. This city had at this early date thus secured a prominent place in the base ball world. It is interesting to note that another United States Senator was a delegate to this convention, Mr. D. B. Hill, who represented the Alerts of Elmira, N. Y. There were 230 clubs represented in the convention.

Paying Players Forbidden.

#### Paying Players Forbidden.

Base ball was an amateur sport then, and t appears strange now that the paying of players was prohibited. In fact, at this same convention steps were taken to discipline a club charged with having paid player. It was considered as reprehensible as paying a player to "throw" a game

a player. It was considered as reprehensible as paying a player to "throw" a game is deemed now. The greatest local pride was taken in the clubs. One city would not hear of players from another city joining its club. There was the greatest rivalry in this city. As already mentioned, ten clubs were represented at the convention. The Nationals were at this time the leading club in this city. The Olympics ranked next, and between them there was the greatest competition.

In 1866 the National team won ten games and lost five, defeating the Unions of Morrisana, the Athletics and Keystones of Philadelphia, the Libertys of New Brunswick, N. J., the Gothams of Hoboken, the Excelsiors of Brooklyn, and the Unions, Jeffersons and Potomacs of this city. They scored 593 runs to 325 for their opponents, and making thirty-seven home runs to fourteen for their opponents. The nine was composed of Berthrong, c.; Fox, 3b.; Smith, ss.; Parker, 2b.; Studley, I.f.; McLean, c.f.; Hodges, 1b; Williams, p.; Yeatman, r.f., and Urell, c.f. Fox stood at the head as regards batting as well as infielding; Studley ranked as the best outfielder, and Berthrong excelled in all around work.

Fox was a Georgetown College student and was regarded as a wonderful hitter. The Nationals made a trip to Richmond

and was regarded as a wonderful hitter. The Nationals made a trip to Richmond shortly after the war, when, by the way, they were most hospitably entertained, and during the game Fox hit a ball that went down to the end of the field and out of the gate, that chanced to be open. The specta-tors were open-eyed with amazement. "Did yoh see whar that Yank hit that ball!" was the cry. "Yes, he knocked it clean down to Appo-matter." was the rather ungenerous re-

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Popular Interest in Base Ball.

The Nationals played on the White Lot in those days. As the players were not paid for their services, there was no need for an admission charge, and all who wished saw the games for nothing. The canal then ran along where B street is now, separating the Monument grounds from Southwest Washington. No such throngs attend the ball games now as attended them in those days. Doubtless the fact that they were free had something to do with it, but nevertheless, the people felt a pride in their ball players then they never feel in these days of professional base ball. Those who attended the games were not merely "rooters" for the players. They were their friends and neighbors. They had grown up with them and rejoiced in their skill and strength. It is on record that over 30,000 persons went to see the Atlantics and Athletics meet in Philadelphia October 1, 1863. The crowd was so great that it was impossible to play the game. No idea can be formed of the interest attached to these games; and yet, with all the fierce rivalry, there was always present a courtesy that is lacking in these days. The visiting club was always entertained by the home club. The members were taken to a hotel—the Kirkwood, formerly at 12th street and the avenue, was a favorite resort. After the game the losing club gathered about the then ran along where B street is now, sep-Kirkwood, formerly at 12th street and the avenue, was a favorite resort. After the game the losing club gathered about the plate and gave three cheers for the victors, who responded in a like manner. Then the defeated nine handed the ball to the captain of the successful team as a trophy. It defeated nine handed the ball to the cap-tain of the successful team as a trophy. It was highly esteemed, and generally gilded and kept among the club's treasures. Af-ter the game both clubs and their friends went to the hotel ard sat down to the table, where a banquet followed, with many speeches of good will. These were the halcyen days of the sport. These were the speeches of good will. These were the haleyen days of the sport. These were the days when the game was played purely for the glory of winning—dollars cut no figure. About this time there were stationed at the Lincoln Park barracks, in East Washir gton, the twenty-ninth infantry, who believed that they had some men who knew a thing or two about base ball. They organized a nine and called it the National Unions, and they went at the Nationale eager to ret a fall out of the local champions. Only seven innings were played, the score standing 6 to 6, and both sides were willing to withdraw. The Nationals tried the infantry boys aga nand dusted the ground with them. There was a crack team at the Deaf Mute College at Kendall Green then, and they tried to win a ball from Uncle Sam's boys, but were beaten by 9 to 8. These were remarkably low scores for those days.

The Nationals' grounds were subsequently on 16th street between R and S and the Olympics' were on 9th, where Athletic Park used to be. These clubs were all the time going at each other, and being so nearly matched their contests evoked the greatest enthusiasm. Senator Gorman was originally a player on the Nationals, covering second

matched their contests evoked the greatest enthusiasm. Senator Gorman was originally a player on the Nationais, covering second base, and Mr. Young, now president of the National Base Ball League, played on the Olympics. But with the pressure of official cares both left the field of active physical endeavor for the cares of official position, Mr. Gorman becoming president of the association. sociation.

The Famous 1867 Trip. The Nationals of 1867, who made the fa-

mous western trip and defeated everything in their way until they met the underrated farmer boys at Rockford, Ill., were about the same as in the preceding year. Brainard was added to the pitching talent, an innovation, as usually a club had but one pitcher. George Wright, formerly a famous cricketer, covered second base; Fletcher went in left field; Norton was put at short; Gibney took Urell's place in center.

The others were Fox, Studley, Berthrong,
Hodges, Smith, Parker, Williams and Mc-Lea:--thirteen in all. But it was a lucky

thirteen. The Nationals that year won twenty-five games and lost only five and were unanimously agreed to be the champions of the country. This was before the days of schedules. A club that defeated other clubs or a large majority of the other clubs was champion. Trips were not frequent owing to the expense attached, and when a club from another city did come, it was a great occasion. A holiday was virwhen a club from another city did come, it was a great occasion. A holiday was virtually declared and every one adjourned to the ball grounds to see the game. The western trip of the Nationals was an unheard of thing, and too much credit cannot be given its projectors. The Nationals swept everything before them. They defeated the crack clubs of Cincinnati, Columbus, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Chicago. Mr. Gorman, Mr. Coon, Mr. Chadwick and Col. Frank Jones went along with the club, the latter undertaking the management of the trip. The club had just beaten the St. Louis club and were turning their faces eastward when they received a challenge from the young Rockfordians. They probably smiled contemptuously and agreed to go over to Rockford and show the boys how to play. But they underrated their opponents and were soundly trounced—12 to 5. There was a young man in the box for Rockford who was destined to make he mark in the world and it was largely to his provess the the Rockford who was destined to make he mark in the world and it was largely to his prowess that the Nationals owed their defeat. It was Albert G. Spalding, known for years in the base ball world as "Al." It was on the strength of this game that he was afterward secured to pitch by the Boston champions, and his career began. Fradition says that "Pop" Anson's father played first base for Rockford that day and that there was a certain fiery-headed youngster on third named Adrian. At any rate Capt. Anson became a ball player at Rockford, and it is diamonds to doughnuts that he played if it was possible. The next day, burning for revenge, the Nationals met Chicago's foremost nine, the Excelmet Chicago's foremost nine, the Excel-siors, and gave them the worst drubbing in the club's history. Then they came home to be received with much rejoicing.

Billy Williams' Pitching.

A great deal of the success of the Nationals must be credited to Billy Williams' pitching. He pitched a remarkably swift ball. An old base ball patron who saw him pitch frequently says that he once saw Williams pitch a ball that was struck at and which hit the backctop before striking the ground. It was probably a skillfully disguised underhand throw. The umpires, who, by the way, had a much easier time who, by the way, had a much easier time then than now, could not positively declare that it was not a pitch, and did not rule it out. According to the rule, the arm had to swing perpendicular to the ground and parallel with the body. McBride of the Athletics was also a swift pitcher of the same class, and to his ability the great success of Al. Reach's nine was due.

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Pitchers nowadays talk of overwork, but in those days it was work to pitch a game. Henry Chadwick writes that he knew a pitcher pitching sixty balls to a batsman before he got a strike. Games lasted four and five hours. The Nationals' game with the Unions of St. Louis that year was four hours and forty minutes in being played. The great success of the Nationals in 1867 marked the climax of base ball enthusiasm in this city. Fewer clubs sent delegates to marked the climax of base ball enthusiasm in this city. Fewer clubs sent delegates to the national convention, and in 1818, when the convention was held at Metzerott Hall in this city. December 9, only five clubs were represented—the Olympias, Potomacs, Jeffersons, Nationals and Unions, Mr. R. M. Drinkard of this city was nominated for president, but Thos. Tassie of New York was successful. Mr. Chas. E. Coon was, however, chosen recording secretary without opposition. Mr. Chadwick, who represented the Potomacs of this city, was made chairman of the rules committee. Mr. Drinkard, chairman of the nominations committee, and Mr. A. R. Benner, representing the Nationals, a member of the Judiciary committee. dudiciary committee.

Beginning of Professionalism.

Professionalism now began to creep in Harry Wright in 1800 organized the famous Cincinnati Reds, and hired the best base ball talent. They defeated everything. Other clubs followed suit. Boston in turn engaged the best men on the Cincinnati Other clubs followed suit. Boston in turn engaged the best men on the Cincinnati team. The sport became a business. Then the organization of the first professional base ball association followed in 1871. The Olympics had come to the front with the strongest local team, and they sent delegates to a convention in New York. The other clubs represented were Athletics of Philadelphia, the Bostons, Chicagos, Mutuals of New York, Haymakers of Troy, N.Y.; Clevelands, Kecklongas of Fort Wayne and our old friends the Rockfords. The Olympics finished fifth, winning sixteen and losing fifteen games. Each club played four games with every other club. Two more clubs came in next year, the Nationals of this city being one. But their old infielder, George Wright, with Boston, who had the invincible Spalding as pitcher, and the Nationals failed to win a game, losing eleven. The Olympics won two and lost seven. In 1873 the Olympics dropped out. The Nationals improved somewhat, and went from the tail end up to third from last, winning cight games and losing thirty-one. But the spurt was too much, and the capital city dropped out. and losing thirty-one. But the spurt was too much, and the capital city dropped out, and was not represented in 1874. The next year was the last of the association. Washington took another try, and finished fourth from last, winning four and losing wenty-two games.
So many abuses had crept into the game

that it was decided to organize a new as-sociation, and the National League was formed February 2, 1876. Washington was formed February 2, 1876. Washington was not at first represented.

Washington, however, went into the national association, and achieved an honorable rank. They finished second in 1879, Albany winning first place and Holyoke, third. The other clubs in the association were Worcester. Utica, Springfield, Mass.; New Bedford and Manchester. The national team consisted of Houck, McClelland, Derby, Phil. Baker, John Lynch, Ellick, Booth, Belaski, Sam Trott, Myerle, Tierney, Glenn, Battin, Mack, Latham and Sweeney.

Sweeney.

The following year the Nationals were greatly strengthened. Charley Snyder caught, Lynch pitched and Joe Gerhardt covered second. The others were G. H. Latham, F. J. Warner, McClelland, S. E. caught, Lynch pitched and Joe Gerhardt covered second. The others were G. H. Latham, F. J. Warner, McClelland, S. E. Dignan, Phil Baker, G. H. Derby, Morrisy and S. W. Trott. It was a crack team in every way. The

Chicagos won the National League cham-pionship that year and were challenged by pionship that year and were challenged by the Washington team to a series of twelve games. They accepted. The Nationals won seven, two were tied and lost only three. Anson declared afterward that it was the greatest team in the country. Col. A. F. Rockwell was president of the club, Chas. E. White, first vice president; Chas. H. Brown, second vice president; Joseph Y. H. Brown, second vice president; Joseph Y. Potts, secretary, and Henry B. Bennett,

The game which gave Washington the victory was played on the 16th street grounds in this city. It was the last inning—Washington was at bat. Morrisy had ning-Washington was at bat. Morrisy had two strikes on him and two were out. A good ball came and Morrisy drove it for two bags and brought in the winning run. The scene of wild enthusiasm that followed can hardly be described. Many citizens have not yet recovered.

The Nationals easily led the association, which disbanded before the season was finished.

American and Union Associations.

Baltimore, and the jump from Boston to Washington was too great. It was not un-til 1883 that the two big cities were admitted. In the meantime the American Association, with 25-cent ball and Sunday games, was formed, and in 1883 began making overtures to Washington. Two nines were formed in 1884, Mr. Lloyd Moxley's team was admitted to the American Association, and the club of which Mr. H. B. Bennett was president went into the new Union Association. The other cities represented were St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Altoona, Boston and Chicago. Only five clubs finished the season, the Nationals ending in fifth place. They had much better fortune than the association club, who disbanded in August, owing to insufficient support. The local Union Association club was a tail ender of twelve clubs, winning twelve and losing fifty-one games. The Union Association club did much better, winning forty-seven and lesing sixty-six. ed. In the meantime the American Asso-Union Association club did much better, winning forty-seven and lesing sixty-six. The American Association games were played at Athletic Park, 9th and S streets; the union games at the old Capitol Park, crossing B street north from the Capitol grounds. Mr. H. B. Bennett was president of the Nationals in 1884, C. E. White, secretry and treasurer; M. B. Scanlon, manager. The players were W. E. Wise, Phil Baker, Thos. Evers, Alex. Voss, M. H. Lockwood, Mark Creegan, Fred. C. Tenney, M. McCarl, Ed. McKenna.

The Eastern League.

Washington had another champion team in the following year-1885. The Nationals vanted to keep up the Union Association, but St. Louis declined, and the local team went into the Eastern League, where they were easily first. The other clubs were were easily first. The other clubs were from Jersey City, Lancaster, Wilmington, Newark, Norfolk, Trenton and Richmond. Mr. R. C. Hewitt was president of the club; D. O'Brien, vice president; C. E. White, treasurer; W. H. Hewitt, secretary, and Mr. M. B. Scanlon was manager. The players were Phil. Baker, R. M. Barr, C. H. Gagus, F. Suck, James Knowles, F. Morrisy, W. D. White, W. F. Hoover, Abrer Powell, Chris. Fulmer, T. Evers, Hand O'Day. The club's career was a succession of victories.

In the League.

The National League now began to cast eves of desire on Washington, and at the meeting of March 3, 1886, Washington was admitted. Providence dropped out and the bulk of the team came here. Joe Start, Paul Hines, Dupee Shaw and Barney Gilligan and Cliff Carroll. But there was too much weakness in the team, and it finished last, winning twenty-eight games and losing ninety-two. In 1887 Indianapolis was admitted and Washington pushed the Hossiers into last place, but next year Indianapolis, with a mighty effort, left the rear and forced the Senators to that position, beating them out in the last week by three games. The Washingtons were tailenders again in 1889, Indianapolis again escaping that place by only a few games.

The Players' League revolt of 1890 left Washington without a club, most of the players going to Buffalo to form the Players' League of that city. Circumstances ferced the league to drop Washington, which went into the Atlantic League in 1890. Other clubs in the league were Baltimore, Wilmington, Newark, Jersey City, Hartford, New Haven and Providence. was admitted. Providence dropped out and

Atlantic League.

The circuit was similar to the old Eastern League, and Ted Sullivan's local team speedily showed itself superior to all others, Baltimore alone being a worthy rival. The club now played at Atlantic Park, 17th and U streets, instead of North Capitol and G, U streets, instead of North Capitol and G, where games had been played since 1886. Facilities for reaching the ground were poor and patronage fell off. The other clubs were poorly supported, too, and one after another dropped out. The Washingtons tried Sunday games at the driving park at St. Asaph's junction, near Asiexandria, but they could not keep the club going, and it in time dropped out of the race, and Mr. Hewitt, its backer, gave up the fight. The American Association had induced Baltimore to join and sought Washington, but it was decided to wait until 1891. The next season the Washingtons returned to the American cided to wait until 1891. The next season the Washingtons returned to the American Association, after an absence of seven years. A great many players were tried and many efforts were made to strengthen it, but the club finished last. The players were Sutcliffe, Burns, Donovan, McGuire, McCauley, Stattery, Griffin, Hines, Dowd, Hatfield, McQuery, Murphy, Curtis, Moore, Beecher, Visner, Foreman, Darty, Lohman, Bakely, "Pop" Smith, Carsey and Dan Shannon. The Washingtons won 44 and lost 90, with a percentage of .328. The other clubs in the association were Boston, St. Louis, Baltimore, Athletic, Milwaukee, Columbus and Louisville, and they finished in that order.

In the Big Lengue.

In the winter the league and association were combined, and Washington was given a place in the new organization. A fine lot f players was assigned to this city. Lar kin, Dowd and Hardie Richardson covered the bases, Dan Richardson at short, and Radford, Donovan, Duffee and Hoy in the field, McGuire and Milligan went behind the bat and Gastright, Killen, Knell, Kilroy, bat and Gastright, Klien, Khen, Kliroy, Foreman and Dolan were the pitching talent. Hardie Richardson, who had covered third acceptably for the champion Boston team, was displaced and all sorts of experiments were tried there during the season. Nevertheless, the club finished the son. Nevertheless, the club finished the first season in seventh place. Constant changes produced so much demoralization that the club dropped to twelfth place for the second half; yet the club's standing for the whole season was tenth, with a percentage of .385. The team was by all odds the strongest Washington had had in years. It was broken up the following year and finished last, the double season having been given up. A strong infusion of young blood given up. A strong infusion of young blood was tried in 1894, and last place was left behind, yet the work done was not equal to that of 1892, the percentage being only .341. The season of 1835 saw the local team little changed from that of the year previous. It went up a round on the league ladder, but its percentage was lower than that of last year. Few changes are indi-cated in the team for next season.

From the Argonaut.

A Beston man traveling through the south was obliged to stop in a small town where there was but one hotel, at which the accomthere was but one hotel, at which the accommodations were hardly to be called elaborate. When the colored walter brought his dinner, the Boston man found that he was to have roast beef, stewd tomatoes, corn, peas, potatoes and coffee, the vegetables served in the usual stone china canoes. Presently he sa'd to the walter: "Dick, pass the spoons." The waiter rolled his eyes in genuire amazement. "Spoons, sah! What do you want with the spoons? There's yo' spoon in yo' corn."

Close Guess. From the Detroit Free Press. "What is the reason that the top drawer of a boarding house bureau will never either open or shut?" asked the newly

The league would have gladly taken in rived guest. "Possibly." the Washingtons, but that organization had no club in New York, Philadelphia nor club in New York, Philadelphia nor

A MOOT POINT.



Mrs. Brown (on her honeymoon)—"Oh, gren't you glad, darling, we have come this delightful tour, instead of going to one of those stupid foreign places?"

(Darling is not quite sure about it, as the hills are of terrible frequency, and, naturally, he tows his bride up every one.)